

Hi all, just like that, we're really starting to feel like the end of the year is fast-approaching. November has been a stormy month for some of us, but many of you may have missed this because you have travelled to warmer climates (we're not jealous or anything). But alas, it's been a busy for the Black Women in Science Network.

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Celebrating You 2024: Everyone Deserves Flowers #CY2024

It's been just over a month since we gathered the home of the British Academy for our Celebrating You 2024 event. We have received record-numbers of feedback from attendees, and we're so grateful for that you have all taken to.... We are happy to share some of the photos from the event here, but even happier that you can see many more in this [public album](#).



Photos by Empire Scheme Studios

We know many of you were not able to make the event, and we don't want you to feel like you are missing out, so our very dedicated blog writer has put together a [beautiful post](#) recapping this year's event and reminding us why this is so important for our community.

We are so grateful to the Academy of Medical Sciences for continuing to provide this space for us. It means so much.

Join our team

We need some more hands-on deck! The Network is growing, so we need our team to grow along with it, we are looking for individuals with a broad range of skills, and more importantly, those willing to learn. It would be so good to speak with you. Want to get involved? Apply soon, as we are looking to recruit several people to join our team in the new year. You can fill out this [short form](#).

Brunch Talks with BWiS

Thank you to all those who attended any of the Brunch Talks with BWiS this year. The space has evolved and grown to reach many more people; we won't reflect too much because we have one more session left. Join us on Saturday 14th December for our final session of the year. If you haven't made any sessions this year, this is your chance! All members receive monthly reminders in their email inboxes, if you would like to enjoy, please contact admin@bwisnetwork.com for more information.



NB: food is not provided at the virtual Brunch!

PhD Opportunity: Understanding Racialised Barriers to Research Funding Success

A unique and impactful PhD opportunity is now available for UK-domiciled applicants of Black African, Black Caribbean, or other Black or mixed Black heritage. This fully funded project offers the chance to explore the racialised barriers to research funding success within the UK academic landscape.

This project aims to investigate systemic challenges faced by Black and mixed-heritage researchers in securing research funding, providing crucial insights that could inform future policy and practice in higher education and research funding bodies.

This opportunity not only supports diversity in research but also provides a platform for those passionate about making meaningful change in academia. If you're interested in exploring this critical issue and contributing to creating a more equitable research environment, consider applying!

PhD Opportunity: Exploring Racialised Barriers to Research Funding

A fully funded PhD is available for UK-domiciled applicants of Black African, Black Caribbean, or mixed Black heritage. This research focuses on understanding racialised barriers to research funding success in the UK. Open to home fee-eligible candidates, this opportunity aims to drive impactful change in equity and inclusion within academic funding. For more information, and to apply, [read more on their website](#).

PhD in Mental Health at King's College London

King's College London is offering fully funded PhD studentships in mental health, providing an exciting opportunity for aspiring researchers to contribute to groundbreaking work in this crucial field. The PhD projects span a range of mental health topics, including the biological, psychological, and social factors influencing mental health, as well as innovative interventions and treatments. This opportunity is available to UK-domiciled students and provides full tuition fees with a stipend for living expenses. To apply and for more information, [visit their website](#).

Clinical Academics in Training Annual Conference

The Academy of Medical Sciences is delighted to announce that abstract submission is now open for the Clinical Academics in Training Annual Conference (CATAC), taking place on Thursday 8th May 2025. CTAC 2025 is a cross-speciality conference for all aspiring clinical academics currently working in the UK. It is an opportunity for researchers in medicine or health from any clinical backgrounds to network and present their research in a supportive environment. Abstracts should be submitted before Thursday 19th December 2024. You [find more information here](#).

Well, there we go, another newsletter filled with updates on our busy, busy team, and some external opportunities. We hope that you enjoyed this read!

Speak soon,

Black Women in Science Network